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| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS  |   |  |                                 |
| <p>SYNOPSIS: [redacted] reportedly returned to their residence, [redacted] [redacted] both reported as Communist Party members who dropped out of Party about January 1949. Identity of correspondents of [redacted] set forth, some of whom are reported CP members or sympathizers or are cited subversive organizations. Additional contacts and activities of [redacted] set forth.</p> <p><b>DECLASSIFIED BY [redacted]</b><br/><b>ON 7/18/01</b><br/><b>#446973</b></p> <p><b>ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE</b></p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> This investigation is predicated upon information concerning the visits of subject and her husband [redacted] [redacted] respectively at which time they contacted functionaries of the Communist Party in [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] investigation to date has not revealed the source of her information, nor confirmation thereof, but does reflect that the [redacted] [redacted] with known Communists or Communist sympathizers in their vicinity. [redacted] have in the past been associated with "Life" magazine as photographers and more recently have been working as free-lance photographers.</p> |   |  |                                 |
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San Francisco #65-2427

MISCELLANEOUS CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES

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[San Francisco] advised that a telephone toll call to the residence of [redacted] was charged to [redacted] on April 26, 1950.

[redacted] was born [redacted] according to the Immigration and Naturalization Service file on [redacted] whom he married [redacted]. She was born [redacted] and arrived in the United States at [redacted] under her maiden name of [redacted].

(u) Previous contacts with [redacted] were reported by San Francisco as early as January 6, 1949, and since have been reported from time to time. (u)

(u) According to San Francisco [redacted] a telephone toll call was charged to [redacted] on May 5, 1950, to a [redacted] at Ordway 3-6040, which is listed to the Maurice Hotel, 761 Post Street, San Francisco.

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The records of the Maurice Hotel reflect that [redacted] New York, was registered at the hotel from May 3 to 5, 1950.

(u) San Francisco [redacted] of known reliability has advised that [redacted]

[redacted] has expressed himself to [redacted] as very unfavorable toward the FBI in connection with the trial of the eleven Communist Party leaders in New York City, and stated to her that he had no use for the FBI. In this connection it may be noted that [redacted]

The telephone toll call records of the Maurice Hotel reflect that [redacted] called the following persons or offices in addition to a call on May 3, 1950, to [redacted] which is [redacted] residence telephone:

- (a) Ashberry 3-2193  
PAUL S. TAYLOR  
1163 Euclid Avenue  
Berkeley, California

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*11/17/44*  
*W. H. R. S.*  
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PAUL SCHUSTER TAYLOR was born May 26, 1895, at Sioux City, Iowa, of American-born parents. He received his BA Degree at the University of Wisconsin in 1917, his MA Degree at the University of California in 1920, and a PhD Degree in Economics at the University of California in 1922. On May 15, 1920, he married CATHERINE PAGE WHITESIDE at Berkeley, California. He obtained a divorce from her and thereafter married DOROTHEA LANGE, who was born May 26, 1895, at Hoboken, New Jersey. DOROTHEA LANGE is a photographer by profession.

*Search of Taylor's file*  
*W. H. R. S.*  
In February 1942, [redacted] mentioned Dr. PAUL TAYLOR and wife, Euclid Street, Berkeley, as being among the friends and associates of [redacted]

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*Catherine Page Taylor*  
Professor TAYLOR has been employed by the University of California since 1921, progressing to the position of a full professor of Economics. Among Professor TAYLOR's publications have been writings concerning seamen's labor matters on the Pacific Coast, the problems of Mexican migrant laborers, and farm labor problems.

(b) [redacted]

(c) [redacted]

The University of California directory reflects that [redacted] [redacted] at the University.

A number of sources acquainted with [redacted] over a period of many years have described him as a man of "liberal" economic views, as opposed to capitalism and big business, and as a strong anti-Fascist.

(d) YUkon 6-6038  
California Pictures, Inc.  
665 Harrison Street  
San Francisco  
(commercial photographers)

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(e) YUkon 2-5000  
Time, Inc.

(f) [redacted]

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